



chatham islands council



# Waitangi residents urged to conserve water

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Update 2: 5 February 2019

## **Waitangi water storage at manageable levels, but conservation still required**

Thanks to Waitangi residents' water conservation over the last few days, the town water supply has moved from crisis to manageable levels.

**However, water conservation is still required in order to preserve and increase the water supply. February is our driest month, so the risk of a water shortage is still very high.**

The Council asks that Waitangi residents continue to suspend all non-urgent water use and follow previously advised conservation measures until further notice.

The tank at the Fulton Hogan site has been re-opened. Residents can access a maximum of 1000 litres of water at a time. The site is open during business hours (7am-5pm), and is closed on Waitangi Day (tomorrow) and on weekends.

The Council wishes to thank the community for their cooperation in conserving water and finding leaks – we believe this has assisted us to move from a critical to a manageable situation.

Update 1: 1 February 2019

## **Waitangi water storage has reached crisis levels**

As there has been no reprieve from the hot, dry weather conditions, Waitangi's water supply has reached crisis levels.

**This means that the water supply is at serious risk of running out soon if extreme conservation measures aren't taken.**

Please suspend all non-urgent water use until further notice.



Use tank water only where possible

Check your tank, taps, hoses etc. for leaks

Reserve toilet flushing as much as possible

Reduce shower time/frequency where possible

Do not water your garden

Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth and shaving

Limit use of appliances such as dishwasher, washing machine

Do not use town supply for stock

Do not wash boats or vehicles

Please share this message with your neighbours. Check this page and our [Facebook page](#) for updates.

## **30 January 2019**

Due to the dry weather conditions we are experiencing, Waitangi has reached critical water storage levels, dropping to the point where urgent conservation is required.

Council seeks cooperation from consumers to immediately reduce their water use.

Activities such as garden-watering, car and boat washing and so on should be suspended immediately until further notice.

The fill tank at the Fulton Hogan yard is restricted to urgent domestic use only. It is not for stock water or any other purpose.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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